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REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 5-11, 13-15, 17-76, 80-108, and 111, 113-119 are pending.

The Examiner rejects claim 111 under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated having regard to Shakesheff et al., or Lafferty et al. The applicant respectfully disagrees. However, to advance prosecution, claim 111 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 112. Claim 112 has consequently been cancelled. As the Examiner has indicated that claim 112 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form, it is believed that current claim 111 is allowable over the cited references of record. Thus, withdrawal of the rejections under 35 USC 102(e) is respectfully requested.

Claims 113-119 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, claim 111. As amended claim 111 is allowable, it is believed that claims 113-119 are now also allowable.

No new matter has been introduced by the amendment.

Accordingly, it is believed that the application as amended is in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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